

REMARKS

This is in response to the January 7, 2010 Decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences. In the Decision, the rejection of independent claim 33 is affirmed, and the rejections of claims 1-25 and 33-36 are reversed.

The present amendment amends independent claim 33 to include the subject matter of allowable dependent claim 34, and cancels claim 34. Accordingly, this amendment is submitted to place independent claim 33 in condition for allowance based on the reversal of the rejection of claim 34. Claims 26-32 and 37-39 are also cancelled from this application.

In view of these amendments, the application is submitted to be in condition for allowance. Accordingly, allowance of the application is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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